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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF :  
ATSUSHI OOKOUCHI, ET AL. : EXAMINER: LEONG. N. T.  
SERIAL NO: 10/584,264 :  
FILED: JUNE 26, 2006 : GROUP ART UNIT: 1792  
FOR: DEVELOPMENT DEVICE AND :  
DEVELOPMENT METHOD :

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

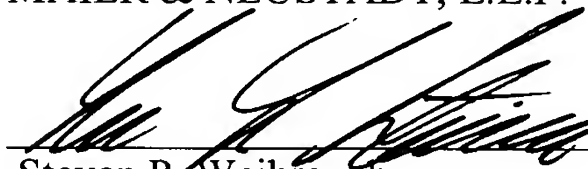
SIR:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated August 14, 2009, Applicants hereby elect Group I, claims 26-37, drawn to a developing apparatus. Applicants make this election based on the understanding that Applicants are not prejudiced against filing one or more divisional applications that cover the non-elected claims.

Accordingly, examination on the merits of Group I, claims 26-37 is believed to be in order and an early and favorable action is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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